



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5806***

LCO No. 2862



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:  
(HS)

***AN ACT INCREASING THE MINIMUM AMOUNT OF ASSETS THAT  
MAY BE RETAINED BY THE SPOUSE OF AN INSTITUTIONALIZED  
PERSON.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) For purposes of this  
2 section:

3 (1) "Institutionalized spouse" has the same meaning as provided in  
4 42 USC 1396r-5(h)(1).

5 (2) "Community spouse" has the same meaning as provided in 42  
6 USC 1396r-5(h)(2).

7 (3) "Minimum community spouse protected amount" means the  
8 minimum amount of assets a community spouse of an institutionalized  
9 spouse may keep pursuant to 42 USC 1396r-5(f)(2).

10 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall amend the Medicaid  
11 state plan in accordance with federal law to set the minimum  
12 community spouse protected amount at fifty thousand dollars.

(d) The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

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| Section 1 | <i>from passage</i> | New section |
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**HS**      *Joint Favorable C/R*      APP